

# CoDesign

**CoDesign** 02-277

1811 ward street  
berkeley, ca 94703  
(510) 845-3170  
(510) 549-0476 fax

**product & system: invention, design, specification,**

May 29, 2003

Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554  
Fax: 866-418-0232

Dear Commissioner Copps;

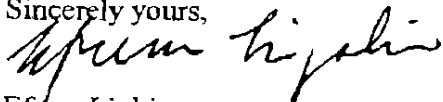
The proposed raising of the cap on media ownership would be harmful to the American Democracy.

As one of the pioneers of computer mediated communication, I write to express my opposition to any increase in the number of local and national media outlets a single entity can own. In fact I believe these limits should be reduced, as they have already lead to levels of concentrated power that are an obvious danger to democratic government. The citizens of this country gain no economic or social benefit from a company such as Clear Channel owning so many stations in so many markets. Such concentration allows a few individuals to determine what opinions, what news, what music, and what forms of expression vast numbers of Americans can hear and see and to deny access to any voice which does share their views and economic interests.

The usual reason I hear for changing the ownership limits is that the new innovations in communication technology have made these limits irrelevant. However most people still get their information from broadcast and cable, only a minority from print and the Internet. While satellite and Internet media will offer many new opportunities, they are intrinsically global in nature and are mostly capital intensive. Broadcast TV, broadcast radio, and newspapers are naturally local in nature and radio is cheap to operate.

It is simply socially and economically healthier for these local media to be under local ownership.

Sincerely yours,



Efrem Lipkin  
General Partner

02/21/11



**CoDesign**

**1811 ward street  
berkeley, ca 94703  
(510) 845-3170  
(510) 549-0476 fax**

**product & system: invention, design, specification,**

May 29, 2003

MAY 31 2003

Commissioner Kevin J. Martin  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554  
Fax: 866-418-0232

MAY 31 2003

Dear Commissioner Martin;

The proposed raising of the cap on media ownership would be harmful to the American Democracy.

As one of the pioneers of computer mediated communication, I write to express my opposition to any increase in the number of local and national media outlets a single entity can own. In fact I believe these limits should be reduced, as they have already lead to levels of concentrated power that are an obvious danger to democratic government. The citizens of this country gain no economic or social benefit from a company such as Clear Channel owning so many stations in so many markets. Such concentration allows a few individuals to determine what opinions, what news, what music, and what forms of expression vast numbers of Americans can hear and see and to deny access to any voice which does share their views and economic interests.

The usual reason I hear for changing the ownership limits is that the new innovations in communication technology have made these limits irrelevant. However most people still get their information from broadcast and cable, only a minority from print and the Internet. While satellite and Internet media will offer many new opportunities, they are intrinsically global in nature and are mostly capital intensive. Broadcast TV, broadcast radio, and newspapers are naturally local in nature and radio is cheap to operate.

*It is simply socially and economically healthier for these local media to be under local ownership.*

Sincerely yours,

*Effem Lipkin*

Effem Lipkin  
General Partner

*[Signature]*

02-277

**CoDesign**

1811 ward street  
berkeley, ca 94703  
(510) 845-3170  
(510) 549-0476 fax

**product & system: invention, design, specification,**

May 29, 2003

Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554  
Fax: 866-418-0232

Dear Commissioner Abernathy;

The proposed raising of the cap on media ownership would be harmful to the American Democracy.

As one of the pioneers of computer mediated communication, I write to express my opposition to any increase in the number of local and national media outlets a single entity can own. In fact I believe these limits should be reduced, as they have already lead to levels of concentrated power that are an obvious danger to democratic government. The citizens of this country gain no economic or social benefit from a company such as Clear Channel owning so many stations in so many markets. Such concentration allows a few individuals to determine what opinions, what news, what music, and what forms of expression vast numbers of Americans can hear and see and to deny access to any voice which does share their views and economic interests.

The usual reason I hear for changing the ownership limits is that the new innovations in communication technology have made these limits irrelevant. However most people still get their information from broadcast and cable, only a minority from print and the Internet. While satellite and Internet media will offer many new opportunities, they are intrinsically global in nature and are mostly capital intensive. Broadcast TV, broadcast radio, and newspapers are naturally local in nature and radio is cheap to operate.

*It is simply socially and economically healthier for these local media to be under local ownership.*

Sincerely yours,

Eftem Lipkin  
General Partner

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

RECEIVED & INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Copps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission. Washington DC

DATE: May 24, 2003

02-277

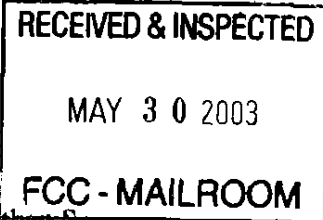
We the undersigned, residents of Florence, Oregon urged you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership's rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protections.

Sincerely,

<i>Joan A Kelly Larson</i>	87806 Limpit LN Florence OR 97439
<i>John M. Larson</i>	87806 Limpit LN Florence OR 97439
<i>Sharon Larson</i>	4745 Windward way 97439
<i>Jennifer Horberg</i>	4745 Windward Way 97439
<i>James L. Lawrence</i>	4745 Windward way 97437 Florence OR

0

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED



TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Copps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission, Washington DC

DATE: May 24, 2003

02-277

We the undersigned, ~~and others of the same persuasion~~ urged you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership's rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protections.

Sincerely,

Ronald Dawson	Big Rivers AK -
Kathryn Dawson	Big Rivers AK

0

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

RECEIVED & INSPECTED  
MAY 30 2003  
FCC - MAILROOM

TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Copps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission. Washington DC

DATE: May 24, 2003

02-277

We the undersigned, residents of Florence, Oregon urged you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership's rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protections.

Sincerely,

Barbara Ann Rattmann	6851 Hwy 126, Florence, OR 97439
<del>Alfred J. Frazier</del>	<del>6851 Hwy 126 Florence OR 97439</del>
<del>J. G. M.</del>	<del>P.O. Box 422 Florence, OR 97439</del>
John M. Clarke	P.O. Box 3126 Florence, OR 97439
Ann S. Cleghorn	1600-191 Rhododendron Florence OR 97439

0

02-277

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

RECEIVED &amp; INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC MAILROOM

TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Copps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission, Washington DC

DATE: May 24, 2003

We the undersigned, residents of Florence, Oregon urged you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership's rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protections.

Sincerely,

Locus Glen Locus Glen	3860 Spruce St Florence OR 97439
Bill Dyer Bill Dyer	125 Sandpiper Ct Florence OR 97439
Betty Hake, Til Betty Hake	05497 Friendly Ave Florence OR 97439
Bill DuBeau Bill DuBeau	2365 18th St Florence OR 97439
Marwyn Dyer Marwyn Dyer	125 Sandpiper Ct Florence OR 97439
EVE ARNO Eve Arno	13165 Spruce St #101 Florence OR 97439
Alice Shapiro Alice Shapiro	88453 4th Ave. Florence, OR 97439
Howard Shapiro Howard Shapiro	P.O. Box 2651 Florence, OR 97439
Phillip W. Cole Phillip W. Cole	P.O. Box 2201 Florence, OR 97439
John S. Clough John S. Clough	1100 N. Phodak Ave. Florence OR 97439
STUART HENDERSON Stuart Henderson	1297 Bay St. Florence OR 97439
Herald M. Copeland Herald M. Copeland	P.O. Box 1520, FLORENCE OR 97439

0

02-277

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

RECEIVED &amp; INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC MAILROOM

TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Copps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission, Washington DC

DATE: May 24, 2003

We the undersigned, residents of Florence, Oregon urged you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership's rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protections.

Sincerely,

<i>Ann Filmore</i>	1070 26th St Florence
<i>Ann Filmore</i>	747 Third Ave Reedsport, OR
<i>Arthur Dally</i>	4524 Sandrift Ct. Florence, OR
<i>Ronald J. Jordan</i>	537 Kingwood, Florence
<i>Howard Shapiro</i>	P.O. Box 2651 Florence OR 97539

0



EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

RECEIVED & INSPECTED  
MAY 30 2003  
FCC - MAILROOM

TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Capps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission, Washington DC

DATE: May 24, 2003

02-277

We the undersigned, residents of Florence, Oregon urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protection.

Sincerely,

Jess DeBeauvoir	P.O. Box 678 97439
Richard C. Miller	98121 unroad rd. 97439
Chapman Voluntary	419 Harwood Loop Florence 97439
Don (Sandra Favis)	PO 142, Swishome OR 97480
Marjorie P. Weyka	234 Manuel Creek Sp, Florence OR 97439
Justin D. Coadock	140 OUTER DR. " "
Jane Rappalov	P.O. Box 597 FLORENCE, OR 97439
Donna	EX 299 FLORENCE OR 97439
Cecilia Singh	5568 Outer Way Florence OR 97435
Brooklyn Delder	P.O. Box 1239, Florence OR 97439
Hink Van Halder	P.O. Box 1232 FLORENCE, OR 97439
Bobbie Coker	155 42nd Way " " "

0

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

RECEIVED & INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

TO: The honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman

CC: The honorable Kevin J. Martin Commissioner, The honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein Commissioner, The honorable Michael J. Copps Commissioner, The honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy Commissioner, The Federal Communications Commission. Washington DC

FCC - MAILROOM

DATE: May 24, 2003

We the undersigned, residents of Florence, Oregon urged you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. Many corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership's rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. If these rules are to become relaxed, it will soon be possible, for a single conglomerate to control most of the major media outlets. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom we urge you to continue broadcast ownership protections.

02-277

Sincerely,

Tony DeBeauvoir-Powell	4743 Windward Way - 97439
Rebecca Lowery	931 Kingwood - Florence OR 97439
Bethany	15636 STEINHILF RD - DEADWOOD OR. 97439
Kimberly Ann [Signature]	09359 Hwy 106 Mapleton OR
[Signature]	9600 N.E. Sluskey Florence OR 97439
Charles Thompson	88564 4TH AVE. FLORENCE OR 97439
[Signature]	86762 Sweet Cr. Rd Mapleton OR 97453
Christine [Signature]	P.O. Box 133 Swisslane OR 97480
Marilyn Dusk	125 Sandpiper Ct Florence OR 97439
Bob [Signature]	158 Sandpiper Ct Florence OR 97439
Jennifer Hoberg	4745 Windward Way Florence, OR 97439
Alice Shapiro	88453 4th Ave - Florence, OR 97439

cc: [Signature] mod

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

5-30-03

TO - CHAIRMAN MICHAEL POWELL, FCC

SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN, CALIF.

SENATOR BARBARA BOXER, CALIF.

CONGRESSMAN DAVID DREIER, SAN DIMAS, CALIF.

PRES. GEO. BUSH, WHITE HOUSE

RECEIVED &amp; INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC - MAILROOM

RE:02-277  
POSTPONEMENT OF JUNE 2FCC DEREGULATION OF OWNERSHIP VOTE(PLUS) - HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS  
ACROSS U.S.A.


MICHAEL RICCIARDI

PRES. CITIZENS FOR A RESPONSIBLE  
SOCIETY

(909) 599 8684

1440 CAMBER VIEW RD

SAN DIMAS, CA. 91773

rec'd 

RECEIVED &amp; INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC MAIL ROOM

5/30/03

02-277

Dear FCC Members,

If you do not ~~exercise~~ the power you have on deciding further derogation of media ownership rules, then our country is in even worse trouble than the people realize.

This truly is about the health of democracy. People know the difference between more of the same vs. more real choices. We need more diversity in media rather than less.

As \* responsible citizens of the United States, you all have a significant part to play in protecting our freedoms, as much as the soldiers fighting in Iraq. Don't let them down by voting for the changes that would allow more consolidation of the media.

A fellow citizen,  
Robby Hays  
1600 NE Duran Rd.  
Blue Springs, Mo.  
(816) 228-9015

\_\_\_\_\_  
MCO

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

30 May 03

To The Honorable Michael K. Powell, et al.  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C.

RECEIVED &amp; INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC - MAILROOM

Dear Sir,

I urge you **not** to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect  
American citizens from media monopolies. 02-277


These proposed changes would pave the way for giant media conglomerates to gain near-total control of radio and television news and information in communities across our nation. And many of the corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air.

The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. Therefore, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,



William Hageman  
Republic, Washington

cc'd   
\_\_\_\_\_

MAY 30 2003 9:55AM

REECE&NICHOLS

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

NO. 746

P. 1

REECE  NICHOLS

RECEIVED & INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC - MAILROOM

2000 Shawnee Mission Parkway  
Mission Woods, KS 66205

PHONE: 913-677-6300 FAX: 913-677-3388

[www.reeceandnichols.com](http://www.reeceandnichols.com) E-Mail [ran01@reeceandnichols.com](mailto:ran01@reeceandnichols.com)

02-777

RECEIVED & INSPECTED

FCC - MAILROOM

**Fax**

To: FCC

From: Harold P. Huber

Date: 5.30.2003

Pages: 1

Re: Rules

CC:

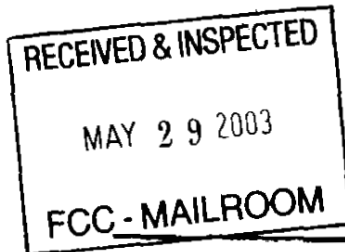
☒ Urgent ☐ For Review ☐ Please Comment ☐ Please Reply ☐ Please Recycle

• Comments:

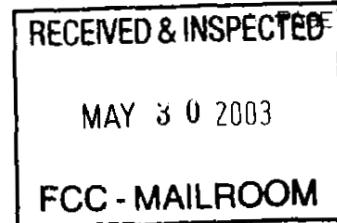
Please do not relax the  
rules on ownership.

Mr. Paul I am sure you  
father is very disapointed  
in you. We do not need  
less competition in the news  
media-

0



EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

**Fax Transmission**

To: Michael Powell  
Company: FCC  
Fax #: 202-418-0300

From: Zilla Clinton  
Date: Thurs. 5-29-03  
Re: See below

You should receive 1 page(s) including this one.  
If you do not receive all pages, please call 818 763-6247

**Message:**

Dear Mr. Powell,

I have been intending to send this fax for weeks - now that the June 2 deadline is nigh, now is the time.

How can an intelligent, well-educated man like yourself be so blind as to the frightening aspects of what you intend to do.

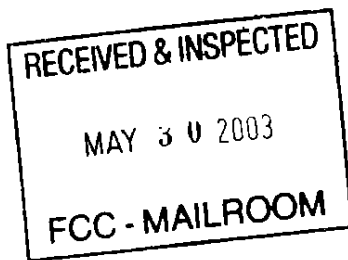
The only conclusion I can draw is that you know full well what will happen, and that you want it so.

Another piece of America, chipped away.

Zilla Clinton

02-277

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED



Suite 2  
622 S. Hancock Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19147-2405  
USA  
bobbayner1@cs.com  
215.922.1798 home  
267.254.9326 mobile

May 29, 2003

Honorable Michael K. Powell  
Honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy  
Honorable Michael J. Copps  
Honorable Kevin J. Martin  
Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein

02-277


Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC

Dear Commissioners:

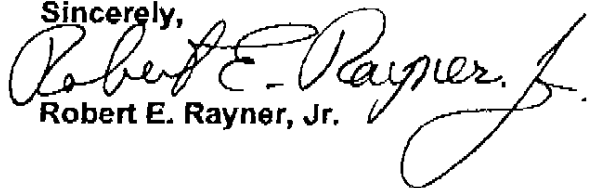
I have great concern about the proposed relaxation of broadcast ownership rules.

I travel extensively throughout the United States, and I already have witnessed a homogenization of radio and television formats and programming resulting from the relaxation of ownership rules which occurred several years ago. Many broadcast stations are currently presenting the same programming, on-air talent, and other program elements used by their sister stations in many other cities. What's more, further relaxation of ownership limitations would further reduce the number of competing voices providing news, information, and editorial comment.

I join millions of fellow American citizens.... those who actually own the airwaves...in STRONGLY urging you NOT to relax broadcast ownership rules! Please allow a vibrant broadcasting system to continue to flourish in a competitive atmosphere that serves the interest, convenience, and necessity of *all* Americans, and insures the expression of all types of opinions and tastes.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,

  
Robert E. Rayner, Jr.



ORIGINAL

RECEIVED &amp; INSPECTED

MAY 30 2003

FCC - MAILROOM

02-277

May 30, 2003

To:

SENATOR DIANE FEINSTEIN

CONGRESSWOMAN BARBARA BOXER

MICHAEL POWELL, COMMISSIONER OF THE F.C.C.

GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT

We are URGENTLY requesting that the June 2 meeting  
for the Deregulation of Ownership vote be postponed.  
WE REQUEST THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE HELD PRIOR  
TO SETTING A DATE FOR A VOTE.

Emilie Fox

*Emilie Fox*

Annette Piccurillo

*Annette Piccurillo*

Sam Isakof

*Sam Isakof*

Lillian Goodheart

*Lillian Goodheart*

Herb Hammill

*Herb Hammill*

Paul Fox

*Paul Fox*No. of copies rec'd  
DATE*07/1*

EX PARTE OR LATE FILED

323-666-6666

---

TO: FCC Federal Communications Commission

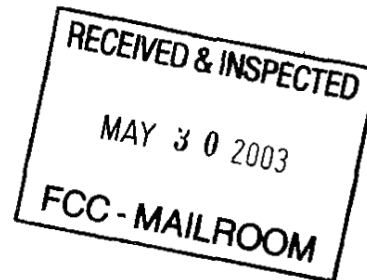
02-277

FROM: Morris B. Miller  
Box 4515  
Sioux City, IA 51104-4515

SUBJECT: Keep Radio Live

DATE: May 29, 2003 11:01 AM

---



Dear FCC Federal Communications Commission:

I am deeply concerned that you have set a June 2 deadline for submitting new regulations on media ownership. Media consolidation is a threat to the free flow of information and ideas, and it is wrong to issue new rules without giving the public an opportunity to review and discuss specific proposed regulations. An issue this important needs more debate and discussion. Please do not stifle debate on this issue.

Sincerely,

Morris B. Miller